(b) whether Government have taken steps to ensure security of crops through Kisan Guards; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) No, Madam.

(b) and (c) In the areas where there is cultivable land ahead of fence, the farmers are provided protection by BSF troops.

Permission to drive upto tarmac of airports

3743. SHRI RAJEEV SHUKLA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the categories of passengers permitted to drive straight up to the tarmac of any airport in the country to board a plane;

(b) the guidelines laid down in this regard; and

(c) the number of cases where special permission has been granted to non-entitled persons?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) and (b) As per standing orders of the Bureau of Civil Aviation Security, certain categories of persons are provided with access of their vehicles upto the tarmac area of civil airports in the country on protocol/medical/security grounds.

(c) Apart from the above, special permissions have been granted in a few cases on medical and security grounds, which is periodically reviewed from time to time.

Central assistance to Andhra Pradesh for formation of flood banks

3744. SHRIMATI N.P. DURGA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any request from the Andhra Pradesh Government has been received in this Ministry for sanction of Central assistance of